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I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Target Genes for Inflammatory Bowel Disease," the specification of which is attached hereto. This application is the United States national stage of Patent Cooperation Treaty application number PCT/US05/04300 filed in the United States Receiving Office on February 11, 2005, designating and electing the United States, and claiming the benefit of the priority of United States provisional patent application serial number 60/543,629, filed February 11, 2004. I am informed and believe that no amendments have been filed under PCT Article 19. (File No. Mannick 04M11-US).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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